

In the Specification

At page 1, line 2, of the specification, after the title of the invention and before the section heading “BACKGROUND OF THE INVENTION” please insert the following:

--This application claim priority to the filing date of German Patent Application No. DE 102 52 316.9, filed November 11, 2002, the disclosure of which is incorporated herein in its entirety.--

At page 5, please amend the paragraph starting at line 5 as follows:

Fig. 1, which has already been described, shows a perspective view of a stator component 8 for use in an electrical motor, particularly an electronically-commutated direct current (DC) motor. The stator component 8 consists of a ring-shaped coil flux guide or yoke 10 and pole shoes 12, between which stator slots 14 are formed. A slot opening is designated as 16. An ~~expert~~ one of ordinary skill in the art will understand that the invention can be utilized on stator components with arbitrary number of poles/slots.

At page 6, please amend the paragraph starting at line 4 as follows:

Fig. 3 illustrates (in reduced scale) the stamped sheet of a similar stator component with nine slots, but, according to the invention, only the pole shoes 20 are provided which carry by the windings of the same phase. The pole shoes 20 are provided on the inner central opening of the ring-shaped stator coil flux guide 10, as is the case with the stamped sheet in Fig. 2. According to the invention, the stator component consists of three stator sections, whose top view (or stamped sheet) is formed as shown in Fig. 3. It is apparent from Fig. 3 that the pole shoes 20 of the stator section shown can be wired by the winding wire for one of the electrical motor phases without any difficulty. There are obviously no restrictions caused by a small slot opening or the tapered space required for fitting the winding wire. Of particular importance is that every hammer or tooth 22 of the

pole shoe 20 can made broader, in contrast to the prior art stator component, as no minimum dimension is specified for the slot opening 16 (See Fig. 2).

At page 7, please amend the paragraph starting at line 23 as follows:

The illustration in Fig. 4 shows only part of the ring-shaped stator coil flux guide 24 and a pole shoe 29 for reasons of simplicity. An ~~expert one of ordinary skill of the art~~ will understand that the top view of the stator section 24 illustrated in Fig. 4 is equivalent to the view in Fig. 3 and encompasses an enclosed ring-shaped stator coil flux guide 24 and all pole shoes of one phase.